

CHAPTER XIX.

1819.

An Act to amend the acts respecting lands sold for taxes.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of North Carolina, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That the sheriff of every county shall at the term of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions of his county, next preceding the day he shall fix for the sale of any lands for taxes, in open court return a list of the tracts of land upon which the taxes are unpaid, and which he proposes to sell for the taxes; therein mentioning the owner of each tract and if the owner be unknown, the name of the last known or reputed owner shall be mentioned, the situation of said lands, and the amount of tax thereon due, which said list shall be read aloud in open court, recorded by the clerk, upon the minutes of the court, and a copy thereof shall be put up by the said clerk, during the said term, in the court room.

Sheriff to return to the county Court before he sells a list of the lands to be sold for taxes.

II. *Be it further enacted,* That it shall be the duty of the sheriff at the term of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions of his county, next after any sale of lands by him made for taxes, to return to said court a list of the tracts of land by him sold for taxes, the quality thereof so bid off for the tax, the name of the purchaser, and the sum due or paid to said sheriff, by said purchaser for tax and charges, which list shall be read aloud by the Clerk in open Court, shall be recorded in the minutes of the court, and a copy thereof shall be put up by the clerk during the said term in the court room.

Also to return a list of sales.

III. *Be it further enacted,* That it shall be competent for any person desiring to redeem said lands, to pay the sum due for the redemption thereof, to the clerk of the said court, whose receipt shall discharge the said land from all claim from the purchaser: *Provided,* such payment be made within the time fixed by law for redemption of lands sold for taxes; and *Provided also,* That nothing herein contained shall be construed to dispense with the advertisement by the sheriff of his sales of lands for taxes as now by law directed.

But advertisement to be made as usual.

CHAPTER XX.

An Act to amend an act passed in the year one thousand eight hundred and fourteen, entitled "an act concerning divorce and Alimony."

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of North Carolina, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That when on complaint and due proof made, a competent court shall hereafter decree a divorce from bed and board, the wife so divorced shall have capacity to acquire, retain and dispose of all such property as may thereafter be procured by her own industry or may accrue to her by descent, devise, gift, bequest or many other manner; and that the said property shall not be liable to the power, domination, controul or debts of her husband, but on her death without a disposition thereof by her, shall be transmissible in the same manner as though she were unmarried.

After divorce the wife can hold and transmit property.

II. *And be it further enacted,* That after a divorce decreed